

Ratification of Appointed Student Trustees

Proposer - Abhijay P. Sood, Union President, on behalf of the Board of Trustees

Seconders - Thomas Fernandez-Debets, Deputy President (Clubs & Societies), Shervin Sabeghi, Deputy President (Welfare)

Union Notes:

- 1) As a registered charity, Imperial College Union has a Board of Trustees. The purpose of the Board is to ensure we are run effectively and properly: in accordance with our Governing Documents, UK law, and in a financially prudent manner.
- 2) The Board is primarily made up of students and student representatives, alongside a number of external trustees (see Item 5 – Proposal for an Extra External Trustee) who are there to provide external insight and oversight.
- 3) All Officer Trustees (President and Deputy Presidents), the Council Chair, and two student trustees are elected in a College-wide ballot, while the remaining two students are appointed in accordance with Section F of the Union Constitution. The appointments of these students must be ratified by Union Council in order for them to formally take their seats.
- 4) The selection process for these candidates consisted of a cover letter and an interview, with a panel consisting of myself, the Chair of the Board of Trustees, and the Union's Head of Finance and Resources (a senior member of full-time staff).
 - a. This process was approved by the People, Appointments, and Remuneration Committee of the Union, a subcommittee of the Board of Trustees.

Union Believes:

- 1) That Milia Hasbani (Appendix A), Jinpo Xiang (Appendix B) would be appropriate members to appoint to our board of Trustees.

Union Resolves:

- 1) To ratify the appointment of Milia Hasbani to the Board of Trustees
 - 2) To ratify the appointment of Jinpo Xiang to the Board of Trustees
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Appendix A – Milia Hasbani

Milia Hasbani is a second-year PhD student in Bioengineering, having graduated from an MEng in Biomedical Engineering in 2018.

Milia is a long-time hall senior, now sub-warden, in Beit Hall. As an undergraduate, she held various roles in Model United Nations society and Bioeng soc, and was President of the CGCU in 2016-17.

We believe her experience, her view as a postgrad and hall volunteer, and her insight, make her a strong candidate for Board, and we would encourage you to ratify her appointment.

Appendix B – Jinpo Xiang

Jinpo Xiang is a fifth-year medical student, having intercalated in Global Health last year. He has worked at various hospitals, as well as conducting research at Tokyo Medical and Dental University. He has been involved in the Royal Navy as an Officer Cadet, and is now an honorary reservist.

Jinpo interviewed extremely well, demonstrating a clear ability to “zoom in and out” regarding particular issues faced by students – considering the details of a situation, as well as the overall picture. While he does not have much direct experience with the Union, this may be useful. We believe his input as an outside voice from the student body would help ensure we aren’t missing things at Board level. We would therefore encourage Council to ratify his appointment.